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REMARKS

Applicants reserve the right to refile the non-elected claims, in the form of a divisional application, during the pendency of the above-identified application, or any co-pending application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17 petition is hereby made for a one-month extension of time up to and including May 23, 2005 in which to respond to the Official Action. Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-0308 in the amount of \$ 60.00 for the extension fee. Authorization is hereby provided to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

Applicants await an Office Action on the merits of the pending application.

Respectfully submitted,

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